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Committee Narrows the Choice for Headquarters to Zone Near One or Other City

LONDON, Dec. 28 (AP)—A spokesman for the United Nations Organization's Interim Committee said tonight the committee would choose a site in the "general areas" of either Boston or New York City as a permanent home for the organization.

The spokesman, who asked not to be identified by name, added that a subcommittee, leaving for the United States on Jan. 3 or 4 to inspect possible sites, would visit "at least fifteen places and probably more." He declined to name these communities or to reveal the committee's itinerary.

The Interim Committee earlier issued a formal statement saying the subcommittee had been instructed to "consider possible sites around Boston, and within an area fifty to sixty miles east of the Hudson River in New York State and Connecticut between twenty-five and eighty miles of New York City."

The spokesman said, however, that the instructions did not rule out other communities near these areas and specifically mentioned Princeton, N. J., as a site that might be visited and which remained under consideration. Princeton, southwest of the Hudson River, is about fifty miles from New York.

The Interim Committee last night ruled out the South and the Middle West sections of the United States, leaving only the Atlantic Seaboard States in the running at that time.

Decision Bars Philadelphia

The spokesman said Philadelphia, a strong bidder, had been eliminated in today's deliberations "because of its proximity to Washington."

During the UNO Preparatory Commission's debate last week on a site several delegates argued that the organization's capital should not be "near enough to Washington to come under its influence."

The committee's formal announcement also said that "the site should not be located within or too near a large metropolitan district."

Four members of the site committee, which will have six members, have been named. They are François Briere of France, Dr. Shuksi Hsu of China, Julio A. La Carte of Uruguay and Awny El Khalidi of Iraq. A Yugoslav and a British delegate will be named tomorrow.

Yugoslavia has strongly favored selection of Hyde Park, the late President Roosevelt's ancestral home, which lies within the boundaries outlined by the committee today.

A List of Potential Sites

LONDON, Dec. 28 (UP)—UNO sources said today the list of potential sites for the permanent headquarters of the organization, under the current decision narrowing the choice, included:

Plymouth, Worcester, Auburn, Cape Cod, Orange and Middlesex Fells, all in Massachusetts; the Providence area in Rhode Island; Westchester County, Westhampton Beach, Hyde Park and Kingston in New York, and the area of Connecticut near the New York border.

The site committee decided to eliminate all sites within ten miles of New York City, such as Flushing Meadows, scene of the 1939-40 New York World's Fair.

Members of the subcommittee that will go to the United States next week to inspect possible sites will not be allowed to give official press interviews. They are being cautioned against receiving "formal or official entertainment or gifts."